

Instructions to Form P-8, Request for Clearance
(Instructions Revised 10/1998)

The Form P-8, *Request for Clearance of Storage Tanks Prior to Potential Tests*, is a request for temporary authority for a specific volume of hydrocarbon liquid to be run from a lease. It is normally used when a well must be tested prior to the assignment of an allowable. On approval of a P-8, the district office will grant the appropriate gatherer verbal authority to transport the oil or condensate. A routine approval is usually given by the district office for the first P-8 clearance request for a permitted well that has been drilled and completed in compliance with all Commission rules, and remains so at the time of the request. Subsequent P-8 approvals are considered on a case by case basis. Under certain circumstances (e.g. horizontal wells, unusual testing conditions, etc), subsequent P-8 approvals can also be approved by the district office *prior* to the filing of completion forms.

- A. **Who may file.** An operator who is requesting clearance of oil or condensate from storage tanks prior to conducting a potential test.
- B. **What to file.** An original and one copy of Form P-8. Before this request for clearance can be processed, a Form P-5, Organization Report, must be on file in the Commission's office for both the producer and the gatherer on this Form P-8. If there is not a Form P-4 transportation authority already on file, one must be filed with the P-8 (faxed and/or mailed. A faxed P-4 must be followed up with the mailed original.)
- C. **Where to file.** The appropriate Commission district office for the county in which the well is located. P-8 requests may be faxed as well as mailed. A faxed P-8 must be followed up with the mailed original.

D. Specific Items

Item 13. Completion report. Form W-2 or G-1, must be filed in the appropriate RRC district office within ten days after the potential test for oil wells, and within 15 days for gas wells. (Required under Statewide Rules 16, 28, and 51.) The timely and correct filing of a completion report will enable the Commission to assign an allowable to the well in question. Note: If well completion papers are filed within the required time after the potential test for properly permitted wells, processing delays of such forms will not adversely affect allowables. If required forms are not filed timely, or if the well is not properly permitted, the well may be subject to shut in by the district office.

Item 15. Authorization to transport oil or condensate. Before this request for clearance can be processed, Form P-4 must be on file with the Commission or be attached to this Form P-8. Form P-4 *Producer's Transportation Authority and Certificate of Compliance* is required under Statewide Rule 58.

Item 20. Reason for current request for clearance. Complete this section in detail. Reasons for the request will be reviewed by the district office and P-8 approvals will be based on individual circumstances.